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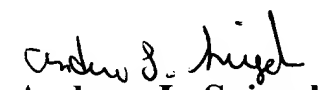
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1. The reply filed on 11/10/1999 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant has not elected one of the species referred to in the specification and as outlined by examiner in the previous office action. Examiner acknowledges that applicant has stated that he wishes to prosecute claims 87-106 in this application, however applicant has not stated which figure or figures, i.e., which specie is elected. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment.

**EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Andrew L. Snizek whose telephone and VoiceMail number is (703) 308-1602. The appropriate fax phone number for the organization (Group 2750) where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 308-9051.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-3900.

  
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